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## U. S. CATTLE ON FEED 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.24 million head on June 1, 2001. The inventory was 2 percent above June 1, 2000 and 13 percent above June 1, 1999.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 2.37 million, 3 percent above 2000 and 16 percent above 1999. Net placements were 2.27 million. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 494,000, 600-699 pounds were 509,000, 700-799 pounds were 799,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 565,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.20 million, 1 percent above 2000 and 10 percent above 1999.

Other disappearance totaled 101,000 during May, 12 percent above 2000 but 2 percent above 1999.

## CATTLE ON FEED IN HISTORIC 7 STATES

Cattle on feed June 1, 2001, in the historic 7 States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 9.66 million, up 2 percent from the previous year and 13 percent above June 1, 1999.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 2.06 million, 3 percent above 2000 and 19 percent above 1999.

Marketings during May totaled 1.88 million, 1 percent above 2000 and 11 percent from 1999.

Other disappearance during May was 88,000 head, 4 percent above 2000 and 21 percent above 1999.

Cattle on Feed: U.S. Number Placed on Feed, by weight groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, April and May 2001

Month	Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
1000 head					
Apr	334	384	494	339	1,551
May	494	509	799	565	2,367

Cattle and Calves on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, 7 Historic States and United States

State	Number on feed May 1			Placed during May			Marketed during May			Other disappearance during May			Number on feed June 1		
	2000	2001	2001-00	2000	2001	2001-00	2000	2001	2001-00	2000	2001	2001-00	2000	2001	2001-00
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
AZ	276	308	112	37	41	111	32	34	106	5	10	200	276	305	111
CA	405	435	107	65	77	118	52	50	96	8	12	150	410	450	110
CO	1,210	1,170	97	195	190	97	180	190	106	15	10	67	1,210	1,160	96
IA	370	380	103	41	37	90	54	51	94	2	1	50	355	365	103
KS	2,230	2,380	107	550	530	96	470	485	103	20	25	125	2,290	2,400	105
NE	2,240	2,250	100	390	375	96	510	520	102	20	15	75	2,100	2,090	100
TX	2,660	2,640	99	720	810	113	565	545	96	15	15	100	2,800	2,890	103
7 States	9,391	9,563	102	1,998	2,060	103	1,863	1,875	101	85	88	104	9,441	9,660	102
Oth. Sts.	1,553	1,607	103	307	307	100	304	321	106	30	13	43	1,526	1,580	104
U.S.	10,944	11,170	102	2,305	2,367	103	2,167	2,196	101	115	101	88	10,967	11,240	102

Average prices, Nebraska, dollars per cwt

Week ended	Slaughter steers				Slaughter heifers			
	Choice 1100-1300 lbs				Choice 1000-1200 lbs			
	2000		2001		2000		2001	
May	12	72.25		74.89		72.19		74.25
May	19	71.17		74.50		71.22		74.26
May	26	69.76		76.78		69.76		76.78

# CHICKENS AND EGGS

## FLORIDA

Table eggs sold in mid-June 2001 averaged 45.0 cents, up 5.0 cents from mid-May. Table egg production in Florida during May was 208 million eggs, unchanged from the previous month.

## UNITED STATES

U.S. egg production totaled 7.23 billion during May 2001, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 6.11 billion table eggs and 1.13 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.06 billion were broiler-type and 70.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2001 averaged 335 million, up 3 percent from the total average number of layers during May 2000. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,160 eggs, down 1 percent from 2,177 eggs in May 2000. May 2001 contained 23 weekdays, one holiday and four Saturdays, equal to May 2000.

All layers in the U.S. on June 1, 2001, totaled 333 million, up 2 percent from a year ago. The 333 million layers consisted of 273 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 56.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.95 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on June 1, 2001, averaged 69.9 eggs per 100 layers, up slightly from the 69.7 eggs a year ago.

Laying flocks in the 30 major egg producing States produced 6.78 billion eggs during May 2001, up 2 percent from May 2000. The average number of layers during May, at 314 million, was up 3 percent from a year earlier.

Mid-month table egg prices received  
by Florida egg producers.

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2000	2001
January	41.0	54.0
February	38.0	50.0
March	41.0	52.0
April	43.0	50.0
May	35.0	40.0
June	37.0	45.0
July	38.0	
August	50.0	
September	45.0	
October	44.0	
November	51.0	
December	64.0	

**FLORIDA:** Layers on hand first of month,  
percent molting and molted

	June 2000	April 2001	May 2001	June 2001
Total layers on hand: Thous.	10,202	10,795	10,560	10,339
Percent of layers:				
Being molted	4.0	2.0	6.0	6.5
Molt completed	36.0	33.0	31.0	32.5

Layers and egg production, May 2001, production year-to-date egg production for selected States

Selected States	Average layers on hand	Eggs per 100 layers	Egg production				Layers	
			Total	Table	Hatching	Year to date <sup>1/</sup>	Being molted	Molt completed
	Thousand			Millions			Percent	
Alabama	10,341	1,963	203	64	139	1,176	1.0	6.0
Arkansas	14,938	1,961	293	106	187	1,765	1.0	13.0
California	23,637	2,141	506			2,971	7.0	28.5
<b>Florida</b>	<b>10,450</b>	<b>2,124</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1,368</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>32.5</b>
Georgia	20,757	1,995	414	233	181	2,533	6.0	16.5
Indiana	22,921	2,212	507	495	12	2,993	2.5	35.0
Iowa	32,328	2,252	728			4,221	4.5	29.5
Maine	4,353	2,313	101			549	0.0	0.0
Maryland	3,225	2,419	78	71	7	428	9.5	22.5
Michigan	6,643	2,141	142			843	4.5	29.5
Minnesota	11,926	2,188	261	251	10	1,549	7.5	35.0
Mississippi	6,777	1,933	131	40	91	782	2.0	11.0
Missouri	6,469	2,257	146			883	2.5	13.5
Nebraska	11,606	2,214	257	257		1,505	4.5	27.5
New York	4,128	2,326	96			573	0.0	2.0
North Carolina	11,062	1,926	213	75	138	1,269	2.0	8.5
Ohio	30,421	2,255	686			3,916	5.5	30.5
Pennsylvania	24,870	2,252	560	539	21	3,329	7.0	20.0
South Carolina	5,699	2,071	118	99	19	669	6.5	20.5
Texas	18,903	2,158	408			2,396	1.5	21.5
Virginia	3,561	1,966	70	34	36	391	6.0	7.0
Washington	4,956	2,304	114			670	5.5	41.0
Other States	44,757	2,214	977			5,880	4.5	22.1
United States	334,728	2,160	7,231	6,105	1,126	42,659	4.6	23.3

<sup>1/</sup> Production year begins December 1.

## HATCHERY PRODUCTION

### FLORIDA

The May hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 8,735,000 was 14 percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on June 1, at 7,217,000, were 14 percent below a year ago.

Egg-type hatch during May at 1,046,000 chicks, was 6 percent below last year. Egg-type eggs in incubators on June 1, at 744,000 was 16 percent below last year.

### UNITED STATES

The May 2001 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 776 million, was up slightly from May of the previous year. There were 644 million eggs in incubators on June 1, 2001, up 1 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.12 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2001, down 4 percent from May 2000.

Egg-type chicks hatched during May totaled 42.6 million, up 3 percent from May 2000. Eggs in incubators totaled 37.7 million on June 1, 2001, up 14 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 293,000 during May 2001, down 15 percent from May 2000

Hatchery production, United States

Item	2000	2001	2001 % of 2000
-- Thousands --			
Egg-Type:			
Eggs in incubators: Jun 1	33,065	37,667	114
Chicks hatched during May	41,182	42,579	103
Pullets hatched during May for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	343	293	85
7-18 months earlier <sup>1/</sup>	2,903	3,248	112
Broiler-Type:			
Eggs in incubators: Jun 1	638,442	644,391	101
Chicks hatched during May	774,983	775,674	100
Pullets hatched during May for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	7,435	7,117	96
7-14 months earlier <sup>2/</sup>	64,725	62,100	96

<sup>1/</sup> 2001 includes pullet chicks hatched November 1999 through October 2000 <sup>2/</sup> 2001 includes pullet chicks hatched February 2000 through October 2000.

## MILK PRODUCTION

### FLORIDA

Florida dairy farms produced 228 million pounds of milk during May 2001, 1 percent less than the previous May. Production per cow of 1,480 pounds was up 1 percent from last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in May totaled 154,000, 3 percent below last year.

### UNITED STATES

Milk production in the 20 major States during May totaled 12.6 billion pounds, down 1.1 percent from May 2000. April revised production, at 12.2 billion pounds, was down 2.0 percent from April 2000. The April revision represented a decrease of 0.1 percent or 14 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,629 pounds for May, 7 pounds below May 2000.

The number of cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.74 million head, 55,000 head less than May 2000, but unchanged from April 2001.

Milk cows and production, Florida and U.S.

Month and year	Milk cows	Monthly milk production	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
		Thous.	Lbs. Mil. Lbs.
Florida:			
May 2000	158	1,460	231
April 2001	154	1,460	225
May 2001	154	1,480	228
20 Major States:			
May 2000	7,799	1,636	12,758
April 2001	7,744	1,570	12,158
May 2001	7,744	1,629	12,614
United States			
May 2000	--	--	14,791
April 2001	--	--	14,096
May 2001	--	--	14,625

Milk production by quarters, United States

Month	Milk cows <sup>1/</sup>		Milk per cow <sup>2/</sup>		Milk production	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	Thousand		Pounds		Mil. Lbs.	
Jan-Mar	9,188	9,154	4,640	4,514	42,630	41,324
Apr-Jun	9,213		4,688		43,189	
Jul-Sep	9,229		4,460		41,161	
Oct-Dec	9,211		4,416		40,678	
Annual Total	9,210		18,204		167,658	

<sup>1/</sup> Dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2/</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

## LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Commercial red meat output in Florida for May 2001 was 5.0 million pounds, 19 percent above the same month last year.

Commercial production of red meat in the United States for May at 3.88 billion pounds, was unchanged from 2000.

### Commercial slaughter and red meat production, Florida and United States

Source and kind	May 2000	April 2001	May 2001	Year to date 2000	Year to date 2001
<b>Florida <sup>1/</sup></b>					
Cattle slaughtered (1000 head)	6	7	7	31	35
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	8	8	8	36	40
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds)	1,562	1,488	1,622	6,744	7,625
Red meat production (million pounds)	4.2	5.0	5.0	21.3	24.9
<b>United States</b>					
Cattle:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	3,178	2,714	3,199	14,966	14,413
Total liveweight (million pounds)	3,801	3,218	3,787	18,157	17,353
Average liveweight (pounds)	1,196	1,186	1,184	1,213	1,202
Beef production (million pounds)	2,030	1,939	2,293	10,983	10,413
Calves:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	92	74	79	464	407
Total liveweight (million pounds)	31	25	26	151	133
Average liveweight (pounds)	340	340	335	326	329
Veal production (million pounds)	19	15	16	91	81
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered (1,000 head)	7,945	7,832	7,958	40,211	40,364
Liveweight (million pounds)	2,090	2,072	2,100	10,549	10,662
Average liveweight (pounds)	263	265	264	263	264
Pork production (million pounds)	1,542	1,532	1,555	7,774	7,892
Red meat production (million pounds)	3,881	3,507	3,881	18,951	18,483

<sup>1/</sup> Florida calves data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations.

### Average Dollars Per Cwt Received through 13 Florida Auctions May 2000 and 2001

Stocker calves under 300 lbs.					Stocker calves over 300 lbs.				
Grade	2000		2001		Grade	2000		2001	
	Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers		Steers	Heifers	Steers	Heifers
Medium #1	132.28	113.60	128.14	112.13	Medium #1	105.81	95.28	106.32	96.29
Medium #2	115.34	102.28	115.40	104.28	Medium #2	96.40	90.84	97.28	87.58
All grades	126.16	106.33	123.93	112.39	All grades	102.83	93.10	101.91	93.09

SOURCE: FDA & CS, Div. of Marketing and Development, Market News Service.